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DHS Announces Revised National Incident Management System

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has revised the National Incident Management System (NIMS). NIMS is the national standard for incident management that establishes standardized incident management processes, protocols and procedures that all federal, state, tribal and local responders use to coordinate and conduct emergency response actions.

The revised version clarifies existing NIMS concepts, incorporates better preparedness and planning aspects of the NIMS, improves the overall readability of the NIMS plan and differentiates between the purpose of NIMS and the National Response Framework (NRF). The revised NIMS plan identifies how NIMS provides the action template for the management of incidents, while the NRF provides the policy structure and mechanisms for national-level policy for incident management.

The revised NIMS plan followed an extensive revision involving over 100 partners from all levels of government, private sector, non-governmental organizations, and subject matter experts representing all emergency management and incident response disciplines. Over 6,000 comments on the revised plan

were reviewed by FEMA from more than 280 individuals and organizations.

For more information,

www.fema.gov.

To view the revised NIMS version,

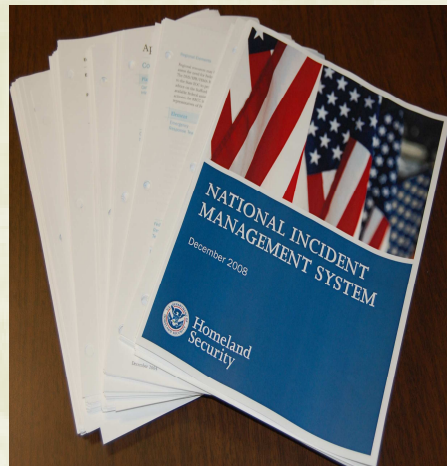
<http://>

www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/NIMS_core.pdf

To view a NIMS what's news refer-

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www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/NIMSWhatsNew.pdf



2008 National Incident Management System Plan

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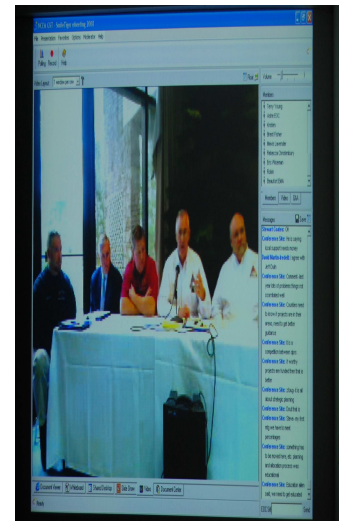
Emergency Management Forum Was Held in Asheboro, NC & On The Internet.

On January 7th and 8th, the North Carolina Emergency Management Forum took place at the North Carolina Zoological Park and was broadcasted on the internet. This year's forum held discussions between State and Local Emergency Management personnel on the topics of legislative initiatives, HB2432, Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) 2009 performance requirements, EMPG funding formula, training, exercises, homeland security regionalization, EM technology, Integrated Hazards Analysis.

The North Carolina Emergency Management Association Executive Committee and NCEM Division Senior Staff will work together on modifications to the 2010 EMPG Program.

As mentioned earlier, this year's forum was broadcasted on the internet using SmileTiger technology. This allowed attendees who could not physically attend the conference still participate by communicating via instant messaging.

For more information, contact Brenda Jones, Executive Assistant, NCEM at (919)715-9216 or bmjones@ncem.org.



Forum internet telecast

"The site is a free resource for first responders and emergency managers..."

DHS has a Lessons Learned Information Sharing Website

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has a lessons learned information sharing website.

The website, www.llis.gov, is a national network of lessons learned and innovative ideas for emergency re-

sponse professionals and homeland security officials.

The site is a free resource for first responders and emergency managers designed to improve prevention, preparedness, response and recovery capabilities across all homeland security disciplines.

The website is sponsored by the DHS' FEMA.

For more information,

www.llis.gov

For more information,

<http://>

www.nccrimecontrol.org/

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State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) To Meet

The SERC will meet to discuss various emergency response topics, such as Homeland Security funding allocations and others. For more information, contact John Yarboro at (919) 715-8000 ext. 340 or jyarboro@ncem.org

Date: January 16, 2009

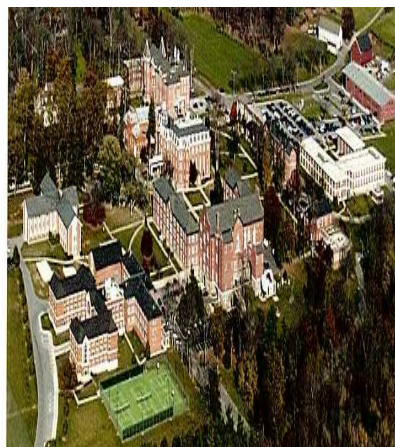
Location: Archdale Building
Ground Floor
512 North Salisbury St.
Raleigh, NC 27604

Time: 0900



Archdale Building (white building), Raleigh, NC

Emergency Management Institute has some vacancies



Emergency Management Institute
Emmitsburg, MD

The Emergency Management Institute (EMI) on the National Emergency Training Center grounds located in Emmitsburg, MD has course openings available for personnel who work in the emergency management, emergency response, first responder professions.

Current available EMI courses are:
1- All Hazards: Recovery & Mitigation,
2- Hurricane: Preparedness and Response
3- Hazardous Materials: Prepar-

edness and Response

There are many other course available and can be viewed by the visiting the EMI website at <http://www.training.fema.gov/EMICourses/>

All courses are taught by subject matter experts who are nationally and even globally recognized for their education, experience and contribution to the subject.

For more information, contact Bill Chamberlain, NCEM Training & Exercise Section at 919-715-9246 or bchamberlain@ncem.org.

Training And Exercise Courses Are Still Available For Those Needing Compliance/Certification

Please continue to check the NC Emergency Management Training and Exercise calendar for the latest training courses or exercises to be conducted across the state.

For More Information: <http://www.nccrimecontrol.org/Index2.cfm?a=000003,000010,000027,000220>

*Space in many
classes are still
available for
those looking
to improve their
knowledge
base!*

2009 Business Environmental and Safety Training (BEST) Conference

On January 28th, The Wake County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) is hosting the BEST conference which is designed to give participants free training on a variety of safety, health and environmental topics and opportunities to network with professionals in the fields of Environmental Compliance and Reporting, Industrial Hygiene, Safety and Health and Emergency Planning and Response.

The conference will be held at The McKimmon Center on the North Carolina State University campus located on 1101 Gorman St, Raleigh, NC from 0800 – 1600.

Sessions include: Hazardous Material Awareness 1 & 2, Tier II Historical Perspective, Private/Public Interface During a Disaster and many more. There will be approximately 30 information sessions

For More Information: [http://lnweb02.co.wake.nc.us/EM/WebsiteLEPC.nsf/1d063a21be7edec48525685e00809baa/b635f360f78f839285256ad4004e49d3/\\$FILE/2009%20BEST%20Brochure.pdf](http://lnweb02.co.wake.nc.us/EM/WebsiteLEPC.nsf/1d063a21be7edec48525685e00809baa/b635f360f78f839285256ad4004e49d3/$FILE/2009%20BEST%20Brochure.pdf)



The McKimmon Center, NCSU Campus

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HTTP://WWW.NCCRIMECONTROL.ORG



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***"In the Business of Saving Lives and
Protecting Property"***

The North Carolina Division of Emergency Management was formed in 1977 to coordinate the preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation activities of all agencies for emergency management within North Carolina. It performs this mission by planning, organizing, staffing, equipping, training, testing and activating emergency management programs during times of need.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

Yaitza Morrison has joined NCEM as an Administrative Assistant in the Director's Office. Yaitza was previously with the Muscular Dystrophy Association. She can be reached at (919) 733-3825 or Ymorrison@ncem.org.

Mike Cline has the new Training Superior in the NCEM Training and Exercise Section. Mike was previously with NCEM's 24-hour operations center. He can be reached at (919) 715-9726 or mcline@ncem.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
February 2 nd – 6 th	HSEEP Meeting	Central, NC
February 3 rd February 24, 2009	National Disaster Medical System WebEOC Exercise	Salisbury, NC Statewide, Internet Based
March 1 st – 7 th March 3—9, 2009	NWS Severe Weather Week NC USAR Exercise	Southeastern United States Charlotte, NC
March 4 th March 6 th - 11 th	NOAA/NWS – Tornado Drill NEMA Mid-Year Conference	Statewide Alexandria, VA
March 8 th March 8 th - 13 th	Daylight Savings Time Begins NCEMA Spring Conference	--- Sunset Beach, NC
March 11 th - 15 th March 30, 2009	Western NC SAR Exercise FY2009 HSGP Deadline	Morganton, NC DHS/FEMA